

YEARDSLEY-CUM-WHALEY
URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

**ANNUAL
REPORT**

OF

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Medical Officer of Health.

YEAR 1909.

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To the
Chairman and Members of the Yeardsley-cum-Whaley
Urban District Council.

GENTLEMEN,—

I have the honour of presenting to you the Annual Report for the year ending, December 31st, 1909.

District formed in 1863.

Area of District (exclusive of area covered by water)
 1323 acres.

Assessable value for the General District Rate
 is as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Property assessed at full.....	7876	2	0
do. (1637 5 0) assessed			
at $\frac{1}{4}$...	409	6	3
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	£8285	8	3
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Population at Census (1901), 1487.

Number of inhabited houses (1901), 335.

Average number of persons per house (1901), 4.43.

Estimated population at end of 1909, 1,640.

Number of inhabited houses at end of 1909, 376.



BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

There have been 41 births registered during the year, which gives a birth-rate of 25 per thousand.

The number of deaths registered in the district is 12, giving a death-rate of 7.3 per thousand.

For the preceding ten years the average birth-rate was 24.1 and the average death-rate 13.4.

There have been only two deaths of infants under one year of age, giving an infantile mortality of 48.7 per thousand of births registered. The average infantile mortality for the preceding ten years was 94.8 per thousand.

The death-rate this year is lower than it has been for ten years, and the birth-rate is above the average for the last ten years.

The causes of deaths in your district are as follows :—
Senile Decay, 1 ; Heart Disease, 3 ; Pneumonia, 1 ; Premature
Birth, 1 ; Suppurative Tonsilitis, 1 ; Scarlet Fever, 1 ;
Bronchitis, 2 ; Marasmus, 1 ; Shock and Exposure, 1.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

I mentioned in my last report that a few cases of Scarlet Fever occurred in your district during the latter part of the year. Notwithstanding every effort to stamp out the disease, cases of Scarlet Fever were notified every month until the middle of June, 1909. On September 16th, 1909, three cases in one house were notified, but the disease did not spread. Since that date the district has been free from all infectious diseases.

Altogether 25 cases have been notified. Of these, 23 were Scarlet Fever, and the remaining two, Erysipelas and Diptheria. Of the Fever cases, 15 were sent to Hyde and the High Peak Isolation Hospitals, and 8 were satisfactorily treated at home. The cases of Diptheria and Erysipelas were also treated at home.

PREVENTION OF CONSUMPTION.

Although there is no system of notification of cases of Phthisis in your district, I find, after enquiry, that there are only two cases in your district. These are in satisfactory circumstances for combating the disease, and there is every expectation of their ultimate recovery.

WATER SUPPLY.

The water supply of the district continues satisfactory as regards quality, and is sufficient in quantity to supply all ordinary requirements.

FACTORY AND WORKSHOPS ACT.

All the factories and workshops have been inspected from time to time, and were found in a satisfactory condition.

DAIRIES, COWSHEDS, AND MILKSHOPS ACT.

All the Dairies and Cowsheds have been visited, and the ventilation, air space, and drainage, have been found generally satisfactory.

BYE-LAWS.

The two slaughter-houses have been found to be kept in a satisfactory condition.

The two places where offensive trades are carried on, comply with the bye-laws for such trades.

GENERAL SANITARY WORK AND IMPROVEMENTS.

The district is mainly supplied with ashpits and privies, and a few houses have pail closets. These are all emptied at stated times and the contents removed. There are a number of houses which are provided with water-closets. These, with a few exceptions, are connected with cess-pools, whilst all ultimately drain into the River Goyt. The Inspector of the Mersey and Irwell Committee has complained frequently about the pollution of the River Goyt in this district.

In September, 1907, a Joint Meeting of the Members of the Yeardsley-cum-Whaley Urban District Council,

Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural District Council, and Macclesfield Rural District Council, was held to discuss a Joint Sewerage Scheme. It was decided at this Meeting (1) to invite Messrs. Swan and Brady, Engineers, to draw up a report, (2) to include the Furness Vale portion of Yeardsley-cum-Whaley, and (3) to invite Disley, a neighbouring authority, to participate. In December, 1908, another Joint Meeting was held at which it was decided to apply to the Local Government Board for the constitution of a Joint Sewerage District. Disley agreed to join in the Scheme. On March 12th, the Local Government Board held an inquiry in Whaley Bridge, and in June, 1909, sanctioned the formation of a Joint Sewerage District, which comprises the Urban District Council of Yeardsley-cum-Whaley, and the Rural District Councils of Chapel-en-le-Frith, Disley and Macclesfield. This is called the "Whaley Bridge Sewerage District."

Each District elects a proportionate number of its members to form a Joint Board and this Board meets for the first time in January, 1910.

The whole district has been inspected and any defects discovered have been remedied.

Three new houses have been built and inhabited during 1909. Twelve notices to abate nuisances have been served by the Inspector and all have received attention.



CANAL BOATS.

Two Canal Boats have been inspected during the year and were found to comply with regulations.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

T. A. WELCH.

WHALEY BRIDGE,

FEBRUARY, 1910.

Table 1.

URBAN DISTRICT OF YEARDSLEY-CUM-WHALEY.

VITAL STATISTICS OF WHOLE DISTRICT,

during 1909 and previous years.

Year.	Population estimated to Middle of each Year.	Births.		Total Deaths Registered in the District.				Total Deaths in Public Institutions in the District.	Deaths of Non-residents registered in Public Institutions in the District.	Deaths of Residents registered in Public Institutions beyond the District.	Net Deaths at all Ages belonging to the District.	
		Number.	Rate*	Under one year of age.		At all ages.					Number.	Rate*
				Number.	Rate per 1000 Births Registered	Number.	Rate*					
I	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1899	1500	41	27.3	5	122	20	13.3				20	13.3
1900	1500	38	25.3	2	52	17	11.3				17	11.3
1901	1487	39	26.2	7	179	25	16.8				25	16.8
1902	1518	38	25	5	131	22	13.5				22	13.5
1903	1518	40	26.3	1	25	13	8.5				13	8.5
1904	1530	33	21.5	2	60.6	17	11.1				17	11.1
1905	1530	41	26.7	3	73.1	28	18.3				28	18.3
1906	1550	36	23.2	2	55.5	21	13.5				21	13.5
1907	1554	32	20.5	6	187.5	23	14.8				23	14.8
1908	1607	32	19.2	2	62.5	25	15.5				25	15.5
Averages for years 1899-1908	1529.4	37.0	24.1	3.5	94.8	21.1	13.6				21.1	13.6
1909	1634	41	25	2	48.7	12	7.3				12	7.3

* Rates in Columns 4, 8, and 13, calculated per thousand of estimated population.

